

3 February 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 3 February 1966

25X1 [] of OCI gave a background briefing on Greece.

25X1 DD/I noted two recent external requests for briefings by Lundahl of NPIC. Presidential Science Advisor Hornig wants to be briefed on [] photography on 7 February, and Dr. Land wants to be briefed on the same material on 8 February. It was agreed that these briefings would take place after consultation between DD/I and DD/S&T and with substantive analysts in attendance with Lundahl.

DD/I noted that Webb of NASA, who is to leave on a trip to Europe to engage in space discussions with the Germans and other Europeans, will be provided some background material on the countries he will visit. The material will be prepared in CIA and will be in book form.

DD/I tabled a memo commenting on the Reston article in the New York Times yesterday concerning resumption of U. S. bombing.

25X1 At DCI inquiry DD/I described the status of two actions in support of Secretary McNamara. One of the actions was met by providing to [] yesterday afternoon a report for the Secretary. The other deals with statistics on truck traffic in Vietnam. The report will be completed today. DCI asked that the report be checked through the DDCI.

[] suggesting that the next ChiCom nuclear test may be a few weeks off. 25X1

Kent reported on the status of arrangements to ensure that an Air Force operational officer familiar with air operations in Vietnam is available to the Board of National Estimates for consultation as required. DCI noted that Army General Johnson and CNO McDonald will designate Army and Navy officers for this purpose. DCI urged that these officers be made use of by the surface-to-surface missile task force in addition to the BNE.

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Kent noted that [] has reported for duty with the BNE. He is being briefed on the situation in Vietnam and is preparing for a trip to the Far East.

Kent reported on the status of an SNIE to be considered by USIB tomorrow. There is a major DIA dissent on the issue of levels of bombardment against NVN as they affect the war in the south.

DD/S noted that the Military Information Control Committee is looking into aspects of a proposed Saudi Arabian purchase of Hawk air defense equipment.

deSilva noted two Agency cables concerning contacts with Viet Cong representatives abroad.

Houston, noting Representative Teague's interest in a veterans' program in Vietnam, reported that COS [] recently discussed this with Representative Dorn and Administrator of Veterans Affairs []

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Bross reported on a conversation yesterday with D/NRO Flax concerning [] progress in the CORONA improvement program. Flax said this was true and said he hoped to reach a solution to this and the upcoming search system sometime this week.

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DD/S&T reported that CORONA was successfully launched [] and is doing well. []

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DD/S&T reported completion of the U-2 mission last night making a color film test over SVN []

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DD/S&T noted that OXCART's are flying again but with some limitations in the wake of the recent loss of the SR-71.

DD/S&T noted that the Soviet lunar shot is due on the moon this afternoon. We are not certain that the mission will be successful.

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DD/S&T reported on preliminary assessment of the take from the [] mission in December. Analysis continues. No surprises have been encountered.

DD/S&T noted a continuing series of requests from elements of DOD to use certain Agency reconnaissance equipment aboard DOD collection vehicles.

DD/S&T reported on recent useful discussions of the [] Panel dealing with strategic systems such as the Soviet ABM array.

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DDCI said that [] will return to Agency duty sometime in the near future. [] will continue to be the Agency's liaison officer and will take on [] duties as well.

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ACTIONS:

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1. DCI suggests that the Agency obtain a detailed breakdown of the current U. S. aid package recently presented to Congress so that the material is available to desk analysts. (DD/I)

2. DCI wants to be advised of the intelligence findings from the latest Blue Springs drone mission. (DD/I - As available)

3. DCI requests that [] be given for Secretary McNamara a study of Communist surface-to-surface missiles and their capabilities.

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The study should indicate which of this family of missiles can be homed on radars. (DD/I by 7 February)



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